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Another Baltimore plank that will be found shockingly "un-Democratic" and untenable is the one favoring a single term for President. Stick a pin there.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Coffin-shaped poison tablets in coffin-shaped bottles is a late design aimed to prevent avoidable accidents in handling dangerous substances by the drug clerk, or in the medicine cabinet at home. Sharp points protrude from the bottle, which may also be colored a distinctive shade. In addition to the word "Poison" on one side of each tablet, a skull and crossbones appear on the reverse.

Fifty years ago the United States was giving corporations millions of acres of the public domain in order to induce them to build railroads into undeveloped sections. Now it is about to build a railroad itself in Alaska in order to keep corporations from securing any undue share of the public domain. Times have surely changed from the days when land grants were the fashion to the modern rage for conservation.

"SAFETY FIRST" A SUCCESS.

The "safety-first" campaign is at last bearing fruit. The death rate of 1911 in the metal mines of this county was 4.45, reduced to the 300-day basis; in 1912 it was 4.09. Figured on the same basis, the coal-mine rate for 1911 was 5.09 and for 1912, 4.36. Substantial gains like these are gratifying, but how far we have yet to go before attaining the figure of 1.5 to 2, which prevails in Australasia.

LITTLE OLD NEW YORK TOO

TOUGH FOR BILLY SUNDAY.

"The New York clergymen need not throw any fit over me," was the comment of Rev. Billy Sunday, who was asked what he had to say to the criticism of himself and his methods, made at a meeting of Methodist ministers in New York. "I was not even considering going to New York to start a campaign," he concluded, "so they needn't bother about me or my methods."

BILLY SUNDAY'S STYLE.

"When I started to preach, friends I got a dictionary and strung together a lot of big words that'd keep a Greek professor's paw a-squeakin' for a week—and my sermon didn't get over the plate. I fanned."

(This is Billy Sunday, once centerfielder of the old Chicago White Stockings, but now "batting for the Lord," explaining himself to an audience which jammed Carnegie Hall.

"I thought it over for a while, and then I said: 'Oh, Lo-o-rd! I've had it doped out all wrong. The devil's the guy I'm after, and I can't get him with big words.' So I loaded the old oratorical gun with rock salt, red pepper, ipecac, aconia, saltpeter, tacks, dynamite and barbed wire, and I let fly.

"And when I let fly the devil took it on the run, and every time I shoot that charge now he's looking for a hole."

LITTLE THINGS.

We love little things; we hate little things; we fear little things; our lives are knit up with little things from the time we are born to the day we die.

Little things live beside us on the earth, eat and sleep with us, laugh and grumble with us, catch the early train with us, or make us miss it, irritate and appease us—never leave us alone for a minute.

To be crushed by a large misadventure is natural, but to fall a victim to a series of petty misfortunes is humiliating. There are many who would prefer to break their necks once and for all by falling off a mountain, than to bruise their whole bodies and dislocate their temper by the daily stumbling over a molehill. It is the little things that count—the satisfaction of climbing Mount Olympus is a poor sort of attainment if the scores and scores of pleasant details which wait upon success be absent.—Atlantic Monthly.

An indication of the development of the wireless telegraph is given in the statement that there are now 230 wireless stations in the world open to the public. Of the mercantile vessels of the world over 1,200 are provided with wireless apparatus, and on the regular lanes of travel it is now practically impossible for a vessel to get beyond the range of wireless communication.

SURPRISING NAMES.

Three negroes arrested in Bourbon County recently and brought into court at Paris gave the names of Lord God, George Washington and Carrie Dago. Some persons were amused and others were shocked when the County Attorney said: "Lord God, stand up and be sworn." Evidently the strangely named trio must have put up a rather convincing story as all of them were dismissed and told to go on their way. Perhaps the court is not a believer in the Shakespearean saying as to what's in a name.—State Journal.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Advocates of government ownership and operation of railroads might learn something from the situation in France. In 1909 the French Government acquired the Western Railway, which, it has since operated. Some interesting figures as the result of five years of state operation are available.

In 1909 the railway operating deficit was \$7,750,000. The deficit has increased every year since then. In 1913 it has increased to \$17,136,000. The total deficit for the five years is \$65,400,000. To this is to be added \$143,700,000 advanced to capital account by the state in the past five years. This is what state operation of railways has meant to the taxpayers of France. What it has cost them in bad service is a further question.

Counting the entire railway mileage of France, it does not equal one eighth that of the United States. There are 1,700,000 railway employees in this country. Our railway pay roll amounts to over \$1,250,000,000 a year. In wages and maintenance our railways disburse fully two and one half times as much money as the Government of the United States.

Our politicians are at least capable of doing as badly as the French. If the French experiment shows such appalling results, would Government operation of railways in the United States be anything more than a continuous and exhausting raid on the taxpayer.—Wall Street Journal.



THE DAILY NOVELLETTE.

Everything But.
An oyster in an oyster stew
Is something very rare to view.

In the window was one of the most conspicuous things he had seen in months. It said, "BUTTON HOOKS REDUCED TO THREE CENTS."

"Ah," said Erebus Snimpff in full. And he strode into the store, for he needed a button hook.

"I'd like to look at your button hooks, please," he said to the salesman. (For he had lost his, and it was an excellent opportunity, he felt for him to get one at a great reduction.)

"Certainly," responded the clerk suavely. "Allow me to show you these tango shirts. Reduced from four-fifty to five-forty."

"But I don't do the tango!" objected Snimpff.

"Oh, they're just as good in the old-fashioned waltz," explained the clerk, and, more to avoid an argument than anything else (for he only danced the hesitation), he bought half a dozen.

"And now let me see the button hooks," he said.

"By all means," replied the clerk. "Here are some elegant hat bands. Imported from Russia to avoid paying duty. Eighty from seventy-nine."

"I don't wear hat bands," snapped Snimpff. "Give me three and show me the button hooks."

"With pleasure," agreed the clerk. "How are these for suspenders? Used by all the crowned trousers of Europe."

After Erebus Snimpff had bought three pairs of the suspenders, some acedford socks, some very under undershirts, six neckties and two boxes of collars, the clerk, with real regret in his tone, said, "I'm very sorry, sir, but we're quite sold out of the button hooks."

Erebus Snimpff was so mad he walked out of the shop without his change just for spite.—Louisville Times.

REPUBLICANS HOPEFUL

After Close of Bungling Democratic Legislature—Plan Get-Together Campaign

Republicans and Progressives To Work Hand in Hand

Frankfort, Ky., March 20.—The Republican members of the 1914 Legislature left Frankfort yesterday for their homes wearing smiles, while a majority of their Democratic colleagues left with gloom written all over their faces they claim. The Republican members say they played circles all around the large Democratic majority in both houses. They said altho the Democrats had a majority large enough in both branches of the Legislature to have passed anything, they were so completely controlled by a certain Political Trust that they completely lost their heads and the State and the people were left out in the cold.

One of the Republican leaders before leaving Frankfort for his home said: "We have certainly been in the dumps since 1911 but our prospects are now looking up for both the Senatorial race this year and the State race next year. The Democratic party in Kentucky is chargeable alone for the condition of affairs now in the State. It has fostered upon the people the worst Political Trust this State has ever known, and this Trust now has the State machinery in its control and the people by the throat. It had complete control of the Legislature that has just adjourned. That's why the tax measure failed, why the tax rate was increased 20 per cent, why many new offices were created and salaries increased and none abolished and why many good measures met defeat and why credit is destroyed and business demoralized by taking insurance away from the people. The curse of Kentucky for the past twenty years has been politics and the refusal to hold politicians to account."

"Meanwhile the State's tax system has remained a barrier to internal progress and external investment; the illiteracy of the native white population of the State has been more widespread than that in any other of the States, save two; railroad development has been retarded, roads have either gone un-built or un-repaired; the State's credit has suffered, and the people have been made pay the freight."

"There is left for the Republicans and Progressives only one thing to do to win both Senatorial and State races, and that is to select the right men for the places and get together for the good of the State and people and oppose the record of the Democrats. We certainly can unite in opposition to the Democratic record. Our members have discussed a number of our leaders who are the strongest to enter both races. Senator Bradley it is now thought will not be a candidate for United States Senator, although a number of our members would support him if he should enter the race. If he does not enter we have a good field to select from and I am sure we can get together upon a man who can defeat the Democratic nominee in November. Some of our members would like to see Doctor Hunter the nominee and he has been here a good deal during the session. Some are for Judge Robert Winn, who it is claimed has the support of Judge O'Leary, some would like to see W. D. Cochran or E. T. Franks enter, but it seemed to be the sentiment of a majority of our members that a young aggressive progressive Republican should be selected to make the fight and chief among this class is mentioned T. B. McGregor, who won his fight as the nominee for Attorney General on the State ticket in 1911 as a progressive Republican and who made a good record as Assistant Attorney General under Attorney General James Breathitt, during the Willson administration and who since he opened his law practice at Frankfort kept in constant touch with State politics and who was one of the chief advisors of the Republicans in the session of the Legislature just closed. It is pointed out that he is well known over the State as a campaigner and would make a vigorous campaign if selected. It was also the sentiment of our members that if there was any measure of success obtained in getting together in the Senatorial race this fall that E. P. Morrow, now United States District Attorney, would be the logical as well as the strongest candidate for Governor in 1915. Mr. Morrow is a nephew of Senator Bradley and well known as a campaigner and possesses many elements of strength which would enable him to run a stronger race in 1915. Mr. M. H. Thacker is also favored by some for Governor in 1915 and would possess much strength. His successful fight for the election of Senator Bradley in the 1908 Legislature and his subsequent appointment as Governor of the Canal Zone has made him well known and given him wide experience. Also State Chairman E. T. Franks has many supporters for the gubernatorial nomination and many would like to see him in the race and his experience as a campaigner would stand him well in hand. Congressman Don E. Edwards of London is also strongly mentioned.

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